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**BOX PATENT APPLICATION**

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Re: Filing of New U.S. Utility Patent Application

*This application claims priority from U.S. Provisional Serial No. 60/210,460, filed  
June 9, 2000*

Title: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR COLLABORATING ADVISORS

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Dear Sir:

Attached is a new patent application for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office including 31 pages of Specification, 6 pages of Claims (numbered 1-38), one (1) page Abstract, seven (7) sheets of Drawings (labeled Figs. 1-7), an unexecuted Sole Declaration and Power of Attorney, Information Disclosure Statement and PTO Form 1449 with twelve (12) references, Petition to Make Special and a Request and Certification under 35 USC 122(b)(2)(B)(I).

This application claims Small Entity Status (37 CFR 1.9(f) and 1.27(b)) - Independent Inventor.

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First Named Inventor	Paul H. Robb
Title	Method and System for Collaborating Advisors
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